

MINUTES City Council Housing Subcommittee

Tuesday, May 21, 2019

Milpitas City Hall, Committee Meeting Room 455 E. Calaveras Blvd. 3:00 PM

I. Call to Order: Present – Chair Councilmember Carmen Montano, Councilmember Bob Nuñez.
City staff present – City Attorney Christopher Diaz, Deputy City Manager Steve
McHarris, Building and Housing Director Sharon Goei, Housing Authority Administrator
Robert Musallam

II. Flag Salute: Councilmember Montano led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Roll Call: See item I.

IV. Approval of Agenda: Councilmember Nuñez motioned and Councilmember Montano seconded to approve agenda

V. Public Forum: None

Members of the audience are invited to address the Subcommittee on any subject not on the agenda. Speakers must state their name and address for the record, and limit their remarks to under three minutes. As an unagendized item, no response is required of City staff or the Subcommittee; however, the Subcommittee may agendize the item for a future meeting.

VI. New Business

1. Steve McHarris provided a letter from the Office of Supportive Housing for the upcoming community process to update the Community Plan to End Homelessness in Santa Clara County. Steve reported that the letter indicates the County is going to commence information gathering over the summer and assembled a draft plan together around October.

Sharon Goei reported that the three cases in the Selwyn area being coordinated with Project Sentinel the past few months have been closed.

Councilmember Nuñez believes that the City should not wait for the County to provide solutions, that the City should be actively exploring solutions. Councilmember Montano agreed and provided a list of suggestions. The list is posted as an attachment to the minutes. A revised list was submitted by Councilmember Montano after the meeting. Both lists will be posted as attachments.

The Subcommittee discussed the affordable housing development to be built at 355 Sango Court.

After brainstorming on the ideas and suggestions by the Subcommittee, the following action items were requested of City staff to bring back and report on the June 4, 2019 meeting:

- a. Investigate having the Housing Authority meet as a standalone entity from the City Council;
- b. Review Housing Authority bylaws and research for possible amendments;

- c. From the list Councilmember Montano provided, have the goals on the list sorted by easy, moderate, and difficult to accomplish in terms of staff time and resources. Also, provide insight as to whether the City Attorney would need to be involved to accomplish the items and if there is an opportunity to partner with the County.
- d. Provide a list of City-owned properties and their current use, other possible uses, and if there is an opportunity to partner for future affordable housing development;
- e. Research Paul Chavez Cesar Chavez Foundation for partnership opportunities;
- f. Provide a list of land owned by VTA and identify possible affordable housing options; and
- g. Propose a purpose statement for the Subcommittee.
- 2. This agenda item was essentially discussed as part of item 1.
- **3.** The Subcommittee has decided to meet at 3 PM, before every regular City Council meeting. This schedule will be in effect until the end of 2019.

VII. Adjournment: to June 4th meeting

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